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Al-Qadhdhafi Addresses Islamic Preachers Meeting
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[Speech by Libyan leader Mu'ammr al-Qadhdhafi to preachers of the World Islamic Call in West Africa in Tripoli on 12 January — recorded]

[Text] Brothers, we welcome you [words indistinct] on its soil, which is considered a response to the call to sacred duty and which is considered a brave example by you because it bears the challenge to the crusader forces, (?to be precise) the 10th crusade, which is being waged by the United States [words indistinct] and afterward they push forward to gain control of the Islamic world.

In particular, your presence on the shores of the Gulf of Sidra is considered a challenge to the crusader campaign and a display of courage by the sons of Islam against the enemy crusaders, the sons of polytheism and rejection. Daily, they (?strengthen the props of reaction and backwardness). They rely on reaction in the Islamic homeland and in the palaces, which some of the corrupt rulers of the Islamic world fill with concubines, servants, bounties of gold and silver and livestock. The enemies of Islam provide these types as a false example of the reactionary character of Islam, and they say that Islam is a religion of (?exploitation, easy living, concubines and) [words indistinct] and this has nothing to do with Islam. Islam is a religion that calls for (?giving and prayers). The Koran combats the accumulation of gold and silver because [words indistinct]. The Koran attacks people who live in luxury because they are the exploitationists and capitalists, and Islam calls for austerity, for (?jihad, prayers, and socialism).

We never deny the Islamic world's state of backwardness; most of the Islamic countries are presently in a state of backwardness. Why? Not because Islam is a religion linked to backwardness, but because colonialism has been a crusading Christian colonialism hostile to Islam. Therefore, it was aimed at the Islamic countries that it had colonized, brought into backwardness, and destroyed. These countries now appear to be in a state of backwardness, as if wherever Islam exists there is backwardness; but in fact wherever colonialism exists there is backwardness, because these Islamic regions were the target of a crusading colonialism, carrying hatred for Muslims everywhere. It had spread sectarianism, divisions, a partisan spirit, and charlatanism. It spread them through the Islamic world so that your lives became meaningless, and as the Koran says concerning life in pre-Islamic times: Their prayers at the house of God were only [words indistinct]. It was not worship; it was meaningless, but it was just [words indistinct]; something futile, meaningless, noise [word indistinct]. They want us to be like that. Colonialism wanted to turn our religion and worship into [words indistinct], all the means of charlatanism, [words indistinct].

On the other hand, we do not deny that we Muslims now live in sectarian patterns, especially in Africa [words indistinct]. This is a fact, and those present here must affirm that [words indistinct]. We know the cause of (?colonial) sectarianism. Islam and the Koran have in fact warned us against (?copying the Christians)

and against becoming sects like the Catholics and the Protestants. Their [word indistinct] is different and [words indistinct]. The Koran has warned us against becoming sects and parties, against being divided in religion and turning into sects. It was imperialism that spread this nonsense, and that has generally spread as a historical reality. Sectarianism now exists. What is to be done? We must turn this sectarianism, which is meant to undermine and weaken us as Muslims, into an element of strength by turning every sect into a fighting battalion, a struggling battalion, into a league not of charlatanism, division, and hatred of other sects, but into a league of the sons of the same sect, a league of solidarity, fraternity, and region, forming a strong brotherly and holy bond between sons of the same sect. All should cooperate for what is good, for righteousness, and should extend a helping hand to their brother Muslims. That is what we can now do in the face of the sectarianism that now exists, especially in West Africa, in [words indistinct]. Sectarianism is reality, but we cannot just criticize it, and we cannot eliminate it; however, we can develop it and turn it into the opposite of what the charlatans, dervishes, imperialists, and enemies of Islam want it to be. They want sectarianism to weaken and divide the Islamic nation. We must demonstrate our free will and strong resolve, and turn it into strength with which to fight imperialism and the crusaders.

This is what is now required of us sons of the sects, especially in Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Mali, Senegal, Benin, Ivory Coast, and [words indistinct]. We must turn this sectarianism into Jihad battalions.

I have told you that imperialism set its sights on the Islamic regions, colonized them, and set them back, because imperialism hates Islam. I said this at the beginning. Now, we have come out of the phase of imperialism, but we have emerged as backward Muslims. Therefore, we must get rid of this backwardness. Imperialism educated the Christians, and gave them control of the Muslims. We see an African state where the majority are Muslims governed by a Christian. Why? Because imperialism is Christian, and it has taught people Christianity; that is, it has taught Christianity to a group of people and added them to its ranks because they became of the same religion as imperialism. This is the cause of the revolution in Chad. The cause is that there is a Christian minority [word indistinct] controlling the Islamic majority in Chad. The majority of Chad's population are Muslims. The revolution broke out in [word indistinct] because a Muslim group in Chad rose against the French and their Christian agents who were a ruling minority. The Muslims in Chad are the majority, but they were persecuted and deprived.

Now, unfortunately, a Chadian Muslim who reached power in Ndjamenah has split from his Muslim brothers and joined the Christians.

Hissein 'Ibri [as heard], who is Hebrew ['Ibri], was (?brought up) by Hebrews, that is, Israelis. [chanting] His name is Hissein 'Ibri, and most certainly he is an Israeli because he has split from the Muslims. He used to be part of Frolinat, and then split from Frolinat. He sought the aid of the Jews and the Christians. The ones who rule in Ndjamenah today are the French. There is no Chadian Government in Ndjamenah. There are French planes [words indistinct] under the U.S. umbrella.

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How can a Muslim ally himself with the crusaders — the Americans and the French against his Muslim brothers, and fight them? He has gone to the ranks of the Christians, the crusaders, the ranks of the enemies of Islam. Therefore he must be fought. Fighting him is a jihad.

The other Islamic countries, the majority of whom, as I already said, are Muslim ruled by a non-Muslim minority, because colonialism is Western and (?it plays Muslims against Muslims) and it hates Muslims. France hates Muslims. America hates the Islamic world and would like to wipe it out of existence. Historically Britain hates the Islamic world. All these Western, colonial countries [word indistinct] harbor a historical hatred against Muslims. They are a traditional and eternal enemy of the Muslims. This is their own stand. It is because their culture, and information about Muslims differ from what we believe (?with regard to) Islam or even to Christianity. They believe that Muhammad is not a prophet. Muhammad is not a prophet. Imagine that. They do not recognize the fact that Muhammad is a prophet. They believe that if the Muslims are strong the Muslims will destroy the crusaders and destroy the churches. This is wrong. Even if we become strong we do not intend to destroy another divine religion, nor do we have the intention of destroying the churches. We do not harbor malice. You have your religion and we have our religion. But they believe that Muslims hate Christians and they want to liquidate them in Europe. They point out the Arab conquests — under Islam — of Spain and of Italy [as heard], and they believe that this will occur again as soon as the Muslims become strong.

However, that is not a stage with which we are connected because we want to live free in our homelands. They do not wish to wait until we reach them in their own countries. They decided to come to our countries and colonize us. They want to colonize us, either directly or indirectly. They either colonize us with their armies, as in the past, or they colonize us today through their agents, such as Houssein 'Ibri or the underling Numayri in Sudan. They used to believe that he [as heard] is Muslim; but in actual fact he remains as he was, French, and allied with the crusaders against the sons of his people, his religion and race, and against Africa. [Word indistinct] they impose their control directly or through their agents, who are Christians, or the renegade Muslims who are sinful and who deviated from Islam, such as Habre and [Niger president] Kountche.

How (?can this be) that he rules under the crusader banner, under the French flag and the U.S. flag. After this (?analysis) what is to be done? What we must do is turn it into a jihad; a jihad not of words but a jihad as is being waged in Lebanon. When the crusader armies went to Lebanon in the past few years, America landed its Marines in the south to protect the (?renegades) who were allied with it. France also sent hundreds of soldiers. Italy and all the Christian states [word indistinct] and they (?entered the open gate) to the Islamic East. They went in the name of protecting Lebanon, of preserving peace, and as international forces, when in actual fact they were crusader forces that had returned to the soil of Islam in the East.

You saw how quickly Italian regiments were sent: Just imagine, Italy, who had never sent a single soldier on any occasion in the world or the United Nations [as heard], quickly sent soldiers to

Lebanon because the gate was opened for the crusaders to return once again to the soil of Lebanon. The troops of Italy, France, and America (?had gone) there. I believe that this is a bridgehead for the crusaders' advance. (?But) young men came forth as fedayeen, who gave their lives as martyrs for this Islamic world, for the sake of the East, for the sake of (?liberating Lebanon from the onslaught of the crusaders), young men whose age did not exceed 15 ... [interrupted with chants: "to the Jihad"] [passage indistinct] One young man killed 300 soldiers. Another young man killed 300 French soldiers, and he was martyred against 300 (?Christians). On that day U.S. troops (?left); the French troops (?left), and [words indistinct]. [chanting]

Accordingly, [words indistinct] there should be counteraction (?in the form of a jihad) until victory is realized against the crusader forces and against their [word indistinct] agents [words indistinct], (?like their agent Habre) in Chad. [Words indistinct] so that they can live free and keep their heads high because they sacrificed (?themselves) and were martyred. They forced France to leave Africa and forced the United States to retreat [words indistinct]. Failing that, say goodbye to Chad and (?forget about Chad). The banner of Chad will fall and the Koran would be trampled on by [words indistinct] of the crusaders, as France is now doing, and control will (?remain) in the hands of the agents of the crusaders, the enemies of Islam. Muslims will become (?persecuted and deprived); your mosques will be destroyed or turned into churches. This will happen unless (?you begin) a (?counteraction) this year, carrying out jihad operations in Africa (?generally), and more precisely in West Africa. [chanting]

Islam is an international revolutionary force. We, the Muslims, should take the responsibility for liberating Africa from colonialism and the crusaders [word indistinct]. (? We must set out with objectives leading) to the liberation of Africa. (? This is particularly so because) Africa — and you are now in Africa — is a Western colony, a crusader colony. When you return, you should stage demonstrations against France because France is fighting Islam in Chad. (? You should have) the responsibility for the liberation of Africa by way of jihad operations and the destruction of the French bases. (? And when) you return from this (? area), you should stage demonstrations against French and U.S. (? occupation) and demonstrations against the agents of the United States and the agents of France, who asked France to (?officially) intervene militarily in Chad. And beside this, [words indistinct].

Each leader among you and each group is responsible for presenting a group for paradise. [Word indistinct] destroy the French bases. France should be made to feel that if it attacks Libya, a Muslim country, the Muslims should attack France everywhere. The bases in (? Africa) should be destroyed so that France feels that Islam is a force.

When you are attacked in any one place, we all must rise up and attack those who attack (? you) everywhere. [chanting]

Your (?success) depends on the (?determination of the young men) to destroy the (?French) military bases in Africa so that France is made to fear [words indistinct]. The French colonized half of Africa and humiliated Islam and enabled the enemies of Islam to dominate and humiliate the Muslims. The other half

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was occupied by Britain who enabled non-Muslims to be in control of Muslims. Christian France and Christian Britain [words indistinct] have both been working to enable non-Muslims to [word indistinct] and the hatred of Muslims and for humiliating the Muslims. We must wash away this humiliation (? with) the blood of our martyrs. We must also make France respect [words indistinct] of Muslims in Africa.

Today, France and the Western world are daily (? saying) that Libya is (?preparing) an Islamic legion. [words indistinct] (?What does this show?.) It shows a crusader spirit that harbors hatred against Islam. (?The Islamic religion permits you) to hate them or oppose them or fight them. If (?our faith was) non-Muslim, they would not have raised all this uproar. [words indistinct] They are afraid of the Islam's awakening in Africa. They know that they are enemies of Islam. [words indistinct, chanting]

France still clings to the detested military colonialism, and it has no shame at all. And instead of giving Chad wheat and barley, it has been supplying it with planes and weapons so that the Chadian citizen slays his fellow Chadian. The majority fighting one another are Muslims. France wants the Muslims in Chad to fight one another until they are wiped out. This is the reason for France's presence in Chad. Therefore, we must speed up the destruction of 'Ibri, its agent, and its bases in Chad, Central Africa, and the Cameroon. And France also has a big naval base in Senegal, and in the Ivory Coast, Sierre Leone, Gambia, Togo, [words indistinct] have crusader bases against Islam. [chanting]

[At this point an unidentified person begins a 3-minute speech in which he attacks France and the United States who have military-Zionist bases in Africa for the purpose of striking all the liberation movements in the area. He points out that the United States spent \$200 million on military equipment for Chad. Interrupted by chanting, the speaker goes on to say that this huge military presence is a conspiracy to attack Libya — the center of the Islamic Revolution. Participants in the rally should study ways of warding off this danger to the Jamahiriyah]

[Al-Qadhdhafi resumes] Now the United States and France are present in the heart of Chad. Together they occupy its capital. Previously there was rivalry between them in dividing spheres of influence in Africa. What is the reason for this harmony [words indistinct] between the United States and France in an African country? [Words indistinct] France takes Central Africa, and the United States takes Zaire. France takes (?Senegal), and the United States take another country bordering Senegal. [words indistinct]

But why did French and U.S. planes arrive at Ndjamenah airport at the same time with arms on board? [passage indistinct]

The United States told France: We have a strategic objective in Africa. If a third world war breaks out, there are three strategic areas we want to seize. And now, until the war breaks out, we must work to change the regimes in these three countries, so that these regimes will become followers of the United States.

What are these three targets? They are Sudan, Libya, and Nigeria. France said: I have no ambitions in Sudan, Libya, or Nigeria, which means that actually France has no ambitions in

Sudan, or Libya, or Nigeria. But France also said: I want to continue to hold on to my colonies in Chad, Central Africa, Cameroon, and (?Niger). Subsequently the two of them found themselves in Ndjamenah: America wants to (?act) against Sudan so that it reaches the Red Sea, wants to work against Libya so that it reaches the Mediterranean, and against Nigeria so that it reaches the Atlantic.

These are the three strategic aims of America. As for France, it wants to be present in Chad so that it can safeguard its military bases, its colonies, and its spheres of influence in Africa which are near Chad: Central Africa, Cameroon, Niger, [words indistinct] in addition to strengthening its presence in its other French colonies.

Therefore, the brothers in Nigeria, when they return to Nigeria must (?talk) to the Nigerian Government. They should (?start) in the provinces with the imams of the mosques, and the shaykhs of the factions, and the young men, and the (?Muslims). The Nigerian Government must adopt a firm stand against a U.S. and French presence and their agent 'Ibri in Chad, because Nigeria is one of the targets the United States defined for its presence in (?Chad).

The (?Nigerian) foreign minister spoke this truth [words indistinct]. He said that Nigeria is very worried about the flow of French and U.S. weapons into Chad because it threatens Nigeria's security. This is the truth.

Therefore, you (?who represent) public opinion in Nigeria, should apply pressure on the Nigerian Government so that it works to topple 'Ibri, France, and the United States in Chad, and ward off the danger from Nigeria.

U.S. aircraft carriers will continue to work in the Atlantic against Nigeria, and they will work in Cameroonian ports. A U.S. military mission visited Cameroonian ports to equip them to (?receive) U.S. aircraft carriers so that they could bring destruction and war to Africa. The destruction you hear about in the Middle East and Southeast Asia will be directed against Libya and the heart of Africa. They will strike and (?destroy) the villages of the Muslims, the mosques of the Muslims, and the sons of the Muslims. They will burn the Koran with their shells.

This is the objective until the [word indistinct] against Africa is complete. This is because the one who is carrying out jihad against the crusaders is Islam. They want to destroy Islam so that they can colonize Africa afterward.

Sudan faces a crusader advance in the south. Libya faces a direct crusader advance (?from) France and the United States and, through their agent 'Ibri, an advance on Libya from the south. Sudan faces a crusader advance from the south. The crusaders in the Mediterranean continue their (?threats against Libya). The Jews in Palestine want to destroy the Middle East area and want to occupy the town of Al-Madinah. They said that Al-Madinah is a Jewish town and they want it back. They said: We have property in Tabuk and we want it back. They went even further. They said that the Ka'bah was built by Abraham, and Abraham was a Jew: Therefore we have a right to the Ka'bah. Imagine this. We must raise the Israeli flag over the Ka'bah, and

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Muslims should make their pilgrimage to the Ka'bah and perform their rites under the Israeli flag — the Jewish flag.

Yes, this is the objective of the Jews. One day the United States will make it possible for them to attain this. This is the truth, unless we prove to them, as we proved to them in Lebanon, that a single Muslim can be martyred when killing hundreds of crusaders. This is what you must do in Africa after you return. You must (?build more mosques). Now that we have mosques in which we meet and pray, we must call every Friday for jihad. Anyone who wishes to volunteer should register with you, who are responsible for this, (?in every town). [chants of "jihad"]

(?From the pulpits of the mosques) you should deliver sermons. Even those who are not imams should go into the pulpit during Friday prayers and incite Muslims for jihad against the crusaders and (?Zionism) [words indistinct]. Jihad is a duty that must be carried out by every Muslim. It does not resemble prayers at a funeral, as it is not imperative for every Muslim to attend prayers at a funeral. If prayers at a funeral are attended by some Muslims, these Muslims can act as representatives of everyone else. Jihad is imperative on every Muslim, just like daily prayers. No Muslim can act for another Muslim in the performance of daily prayers. It is the same with jihad. No Muslim can act for another Muslim in jihad. A Muslim can act for another in prayers at a funeral, yet for jihad it is imperative. This is the Islamic jurisprudence.

You should (?entice the young and the old to go to jihad). You should go to jihad and sacrifice your wealth and yourselves. Incite the faithful to fight. Go to the mosques and incite the faithful to fight. Libya is your support. [chants, hailing al-Qadhdhafi]

[An unidentified speaker addresses the meeting at this point]

[Al-Qadhdhafi resumes] This is our duty. France and the United States are giving money to the African Christians, the [word indistinct], and the Muslim renegades. We also are dutybound to go to jihad with our money. We should give our money to our Muslim brothers so that they can be ready to go to jihad. You should prepare to go to jihad, all of you, and you should take up light or heavy arms. The struggle continues until victory. [chants]

Islamic Preachers Respond

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[Text] Members of the third meeting of the preachers of the World Islamic Call Society, which ended its work in Tripoli this evening, sent a message to the brother leader of the revolution. Here is the text of the message:

Brother Muslim revolutionary, Colonel Mu'ammarr al-Qadhdhafi, leader of the Islamic al-Fatih revolution:

We the preachers of the World Islamic Call Society in West Africa decided to hold our third meeting in the Great Jamahiriyah to express our stand, together with the masses of Muslims in West Africa, alongside you against the U.S. crusader aggres-

sion that occurred during April, against the fortress of Islam and the Muslims, against the soil of the great Al-Fatih.

We salute your courageous, great stands in supporting the Islamic call, bolstering Islam and Muslims, championing their causes, and defending them in the confrontation with the hateful crusaders and colonialists. We affirm to you our great appreciation for your enticing and brilliant speech to our gathering during our great Islamic meeting. Our pledge to you is that we will be loyal soldiers and mujahidin, eager to die in the jihad for the way of God against the French-U.S. crusader intervention on the soil of Islam in Africa.

We shall be an invincible barrier confronting this crusader force and its agents, so that we will prevent the return of colonialism to our African Continent. The near future will witness, with the grace of God, the victory of the masses of Muslims on the soil of Africa — emerging as strong mujahidin, truthful in what they say and do — and the liberation of all Muslims and all people. If God grant you victory, you will have no conqueror. The peace and blessings of God be upon you.

JANA Commentary Denies Attack on Kalait in Chad
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[Text] Tripoli, 12 Jan (JANA) — AFP carried a report today saying that the Libyan Army had attacked the Kalait region. The source of the report was Ndjamen. As usual, it aims at spreading a report to justify the intensive intervention by France and the United States in Chad, to increase France's entanglement in this internal conflict, and at the same time, to entrench the greediness of agent Habre for weapons and military equipment.

Concerning this report, the JANA political commentator says:

— First: The Great Jamahiriyah denies any participation by the Libyan Army in this operation.

— Second: This operation was undertaken by the forces of the Chadian GUNT.

— Third: Oum Chalouba and Kouba Olanga are situated in the liberated zones controlled by the Chadian GUNT, and the 16th parallel is nothing but a demarcation line.

— Fourth: The administrative demarcation of the liberated zones under the control of the Chadian GUNT is not defined by the 16th parallel because there are zones below this line belonging to the administrative area of the Tibesti region known as Borkou and Tibesti.

— Fifth: Involving the Jamahiriyah and claiming the participation of the Libyan Army in this attack — according to the sources of agent Habre and the affirmation of the Western information media — come within the deception campaign through which France, the United States, and the imperialist agent Habre seek to create a favorable climate for internationalizing the internal conflict in Chad to threaten the security and stability of the African Continent.